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1. A Soviet order at the Ganz railroad car factory in Budapest for 60-ton oil-tank cars is in the process of fulfillment. The planned rate of delivery was 200 for the year. The rate of output is about one car every two days. The maximum output for this year is not expected to exceed 180.
2. A Soviet order for 20 Diesel trains has been cancelled after delivery of the first 12, which were unsatisfactory.
3. A special "headquarters" train being built for the Czechoslovak government will be delivered shortly.

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5. All raw materials for use at the Ganz factory have to be applied for, as required, from the Directorate for Vehicle Industries of the Ministry of Metallurgy and Machine Industries. In no circumstances is any stockpiling in advance permitted, owing to the shortage of raw materials. Since delivery sometimes takes up to two years after application has been made, it is often impossible to meet the order on time. The poor quality of raw materials is a further block to efficiency.
6. There are no Soviet advisers or other officials permanently at the factory. Visits are paid by Soviet inspectors to test the quality of deliveries destined for the USSR before they are handed over.

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